## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## Listing of Claims

Claim 1. (Currently Amended): A pharmaceutical composition for preventing and treating dementia or impairment of learning and memory and cognitive function in a patient in need thereof, which contains minocycline as an active ingredient to inhibit brain cell toxicity of C-terminal protein.

Claims 2 - 20. (Canceled)

- 21. (New) A method for treating dementia in a patient, comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of minocycline to a patient in need thereof to inhibit brain cell toxicity of C-terminal protein.
- 22. (New) The method according to claim 21, wherein the minocycline is included in a composition containing the minocycline as an active ingredient.
- 23. (New) The method according to claim 21, wherein the dementia comprises Alzheimer's disease.
- 24. (New) The method according to claim 22, wherein the dementia comprises Alzheimer's disease.
- 25. (New) The method according to claim 22, wherein the minocycline is administered intravenously.

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- 26. (New) The method according to claim 22, wherein the minocycline is administered intramuscularly.
- 27. (New) The method according to claim 22, wherein the minocycline is administered orally.
- 28. (New) A method for treating memory impairment in a patient, comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of minocycline to a patient in need thereof to inhibit brain cell toxicity of C-terminal protein.
- 29. (New) The method according to claim 28, wherein the minocycline is included in a composition containing the minocycline as an active ingredient.
- 30 (New) The method according to claim 29, wherein the minocycline is administered intravenously.
- 31. (New) The method according to claim 29, wherein the minocycline is administered intramuscularly.
- 32. (New) The method according to claim 29, wherein the minocycline is administered orally.